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SUBJECT: ITU - MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FROM GUINEA BISSAU.

1. ITU CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN AND TTU SEC GEN
CONVOKED CONFERENCE VICE CHAIRMEN TO CONSULT THEM ON
FOLLOWING TELEGRAM HE HAD JUST RECEIVED FROM CONAKRY:
BEGIN TELEGRAM: FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION ON 24 SEPT
LAST OF SOVEREIGN STATE OF GUINEA BISSAU ALREADY RECOGNIZED
BY SIXTY-TWO COUNTRIES IN AFRICA, ASIA, EUROPE AND
LATIN AMERICA AND BEING FULLY IN AGREEMENT WITH PRINCIPLES
OF ITU CONVENTION AND RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS, REQUEST
YOUR EXCELLENCY TO SUBMIT TO PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE
APPLICATION OF OUR YOUNG STATE TO ACCEDE TO INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION UNDER ARTICLE 19. TAKE OPPORTUNITY TO SEND
CONFERENCE AND YOURSELF OUR CORDIAL CONGRATULATIONS
ON COURAGEOUS RESOLUTION CONDEMNING
PORTUGUESE COLONIALISTS AND THE DECISION TAKEN BY
A LARGE MAJORITY OF MEMBERS TO EXCLUDE PORTUGAL WHICH
IS PURSUING A POLICY OF DOMINATION AGAINST OUR
PEOPLES CONTRARY TO INTL LAW AND MORALITY
OF OUR TIME. PURPOSES OF ITU BEING TO FOSTER COOPERATION
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BETWEEN WHOLE OF MANKIND THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

IS FAITHFUL TO THE PRINCIPLES OF YOUR ORGANIZATION IN
THE FACE OF INHUMAN CRIMES COMMITTED DAILY BY COLONIAL
GOVERNMENT OF PORTUGAL AGAINST OUR PEOPLE. PLEASE ACCEPT
THE EXPRESSION OF OUR HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. SIGNED
R
FRANCISCO MENDES, PRESIDENT, COUNCIL COMMISSARS,
STATE GUINEA BISSAU. END TELEGRAM

2. SOVIET, NIGERIAN, DAHOMEAN, GDR AND CHINESE DELEGATES
PROPOSED EARLIEST FAVORABLE ACTION AT PLENIPOTENTIARY
CONFERENCE ON ADMISSION, POINTING TO UN RESOLUTION
ENCOURAGING RECOGNITION OF LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND
LARGE NUMBER OF COUNTRIES ALREADY TAKING THIS STEP.

3. I STATED I HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS AND WOULD PROBABLY
RECEIVE NONE FROM WASHINGTON BEFORE END OF THIS WEEK,
SURMISING U.S. WOULD WISH TO CONSIDER WHETHER GROUP
WOULD QUALIFY FOR ADMISSION UNDER ARTICLE 2 C) OF
MONTREUX CONVENTION. JAPANESE VICE CHAIRMAN TOOK
SAME POSITION.

4. AT SUGGESTION SWEDISH VICE CHAIRMAN, SECGEN
WAS INSTRUCTED (A) SEND TELEGRAM TO GROUP REQUESTING
WRITTEN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT; (B) FIND OUT WHO THEY WERE
FROM UN AND WHETHER THEY HAD APPLIED FOR MEMBERSHIP
THERE; (C) FOLLOWING THIS, TO CONSULT PLENIPOTENTIARY
DELEGATES AT CONFERENCE AND ALSO OTHER ABSENT MEMBERS.
SWEDISH VICE CHAIRMAN ADDED THAT FURTHER STEPS MIGHT BE
LEFT TO ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL.

5. SOVIET DELEGATE THOUGHT MESSAGE FROM CONAKRY
SUFFICIENT, SINCE "GOVERNMENTS LIBERATING THEMSELVES
OFTEN FOUND COMMUNICATIONS DIFFICULT". HE NEVERTHELESS
AGREED TO INSTRUCTION TO SECGEN, URGING
HASTE.
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